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# A Village on the Move

# CRESTWOOD ADVISER



## Spooky Good Times at the CRWC

The Crestwood Recreation & Wellness Center (CRWC) held their annual Halloween Party on Sunday, October 25th and you could not ask for a better day. This year featured a Trunk or Treat, a new event which took place in the parking lot of the CRWC. Trunk or Treat is a safe, alternative to trick or treating. Participants went trunk to trunk collecting candy and treats from local businesses, organizations and families. Once the kids visited all the decorated vehicles and collected their candy they headed inside the rec center for even more fun. Bounce houses, magic shows, a DJ playing music, games, contests and food provided by Bennie's Pizza in Crestwood was all featured.

Over 320 Crestwood children and their families participated in the Fall Festival - Halloween Party - Trunk or Treat event. The children and adults alike enjoyed all the different activities and events that were going on throughout the day, inside the CRWC and outside in the parking lot. The

Suburban Party Characters, Gary Kantor's Magic Show, Dino Jump bounce houses and music provided by Sound Sonic DJ's added excitement to this great family-fun event. Not to mention the meatball sandwiches, pizza and all the other delicious food served by Bennie's Pizza!

The Crestwood Fire Department, the Crestwood Police Department and the Crestwood Emergency Management Agency all had decorated vehicles in the event this year. A big thank you to all the local businesses, organizations and families that participated. Let's make the Trunk or Treat event even bigger next year. Start thinking now how you can decorate your car, van or truck and join the fun!

Jamie Cluckey, the event coordinator and the CRWC staff did a great job organizing the event and the activities for the children and families in Crestwood.

## Coming This December: A Special Christmas Tree Display

New this Year during the Holiday Season, the Village of Crestwood will erect Christmas trees in front of the Crestwood Recreation & Wellness Center for our very own "Holiday Magic" event. Each tree's ornaments are provided and placed on the tree by the sponsoring group. The trees remain on display throughout the holiday season, each with a sign identifying who decorated it. Decorating a tree is a great way to have fun and gather together as a community. Tree decorating is open to all sport & school organizations in our Village. All Christmas trees are being donated by Mr. Craig Bond, a Crestwood resident and proprietor of the tree lot at St. Christopher Church parking lot during the holiday season. Please notify the Crestwood Recreation Commission no later than 5:00pm on November 15th, 2015, if your organization wishes to participate.

Any organization interested in decorating a tree, please contact the Recreation Commission through the Village Hall, or e-mail [bmadr@aol.com](mailto:bmadr@aol.com).

### PLEASE REMEMBER DURABILITY.

The ornaments need to withstand the elements of winter. Ornaments should be painted, varnished, shellacked, or laminated (this does not include food items). Water-soluble glue (Elmer's) is NOT recommended.

Please hang ornaments with string or yarn (no wire or pipe cleaners). Tie the ornaments on tight enough that they will not blow off, but not so tight that volunteers are unable to remove them.

Lights will be strung by Village of Crestwood staff. Do NOT add additional lights of your own. Your groups should make enough

ornaments to sufficiently decorate these trees — approximately 100-150 ornaments about 3" x 3" in size.

Please Note: If your group would like to keep its ornaments, you can remove them January 1-16, 2016 during regular daylight hours. Ornaments left on the trees will not be saved.

*\*Village will not be held responsible for valuables left on trees.*

### Village of Crestwood Community Tree Decoration Guidelines

Please share these guidelines with everyone in your organization. Ornaments made from the materials listed below are not allowed to be hung on the trees and will be removed. Please keep in mind the health and safety of the animals when constructing your ornaments.\*Be creative!

### Materials NOT Recommended for Ornaments:

#### FOOD ITEMS (including but not limited to):

- Food on strings (popcorn, cereal, cranberries, peanuts, pasta, marshmallows)
- Candy canes
- Ice cream cones with birdseed
- Graham crackers
- Cereal
- Suet with bird seed
- Peanut butter balls with bird seed
- Dog biscuits
- Pine cones dipped in peanut butter
- Pet food

### NON-DURABLE ITEMS:

- Ornaments made of dough
- Varnished or shellacked dough
- Strung Styrofoam "peanuts"
- Objects with jagged edges
- Un-laminated paper

### OTHER:

- Tinsel (or icicles)
- Straw
- Glass
- Anything valuable\*

### Materials Recommended for Ornaments:

- Decorated popsicle sticks
- Laminated paper
- Styrofoam balls
- Plastic needlepoint clothespins
- Foil-wrapped objects
- Strung beads
- Yarn
- Fabric
- Soda cans
- Wood items
- Plastic containers (film, margarine)
- Plastic milk bottles







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# Village Meeting Schedule

## Village Board Meetings - 8:00pm-10:00pm

**Crestwood Civic Center** | 14025 Kostner Ave | November 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>

## Committee of the Whole - 7:00pm-9:00pm

**Village Hall** | 13840 S. Cicero Ave | November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

## Planning Commission – Zoning Board 8:30pm-10:00pm

**Village Hall** | 13840 S. Cicero Ave | November 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>

## Recreation Commission - 6:30pm-8:30pm

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## Letter From the Mayor

Dear Crestwood Residents,

One of the most important responsibilities I feel as your Mayor is to ensure that those who reside in our Village and have little or no voice in the affairs of Crestwood be heard and protected. I am primarily speaking about our children and our seniors — two groups of Crestwood citizens vital to our village who, for the most part, go unseen and unheard in the daily affairs of our community.

Many of us are all too familiar with the violence that is erupting from young people in large cities throughout the country. We know about the drug problems they experience and the gun violence and gang problems that exist. Many of us here believe that all those problems are something that we, here in our protected village, will never experience. But I want you to know that this is not necessarily true. The people who live in Chicago's Lincoln Park and Gold Coast neighborhoods never believed violence and gun fights would erupt on their streets. They were wrong. In today's world, no neighborhood, city or town is too rural or too wealthy or too well protected to be immune from drugs, gangs and violence.

The only proven way to keep such problems from our streets, is to address the cause of those problems before they take root and reach a violent maturity. Only by remaining proactive in preventing an atmosphere of apathy and hopelessness — the calling cards of drugs, gangs and violence — can we remain safe from the tsunami of violence engulfing too many of our American cities.

This is why I and your elected Trustees voted to fund the cost of sports recreation for all Crestwood youth. It is why we have invested in refurbishing our parks and our Recreation Center. It is also why we work hard to attract retail stores into our village that can offer our young people jobs and the dignity and self-esteem that comes with a paycheck. I am very grateful to the Crestwood sports clubs who welcomed this civic participation and understand the importance of providing alternatives for young people who may be tempted by the false promise or misguided allure of gang membership. I regret that not every club chose to fully participate, but I want to personally assure you that if your child wants to play on one of Crestwood's teams, he or she will play on that team. If you experience any difficulty in meeting

the demands of a Crestwood sports team, I invite you to contact me personally.

While we made good headway in providing alternatives for our young people, we can never afford to stop looking for ways to provide additional opportunities. That is why I want to announce a new program that will help both our young people and our seniors. This winter, we are establishing a snow removal program that will match young people willing to shovel sidewalks and driveways with those seniors who are looking to pay young people to do such work. It is a great way for teens to earn some extra money, and it will provide a needed service to our senior community and to residents with disabilities who can't clear their own sidewalks and driveways.

To register either as a provider or user, call the Village Hall at 708-371-4800 and tell the clerk you wish to sign up for the Mayor's neighborhood snow removal plan.

As our coldest months now come upon us, I want to ask you to please keep tabs on those seniors in your neighborhood. It is hard to get around when streets are icy and it is especially difficult and dangerous for our seniors. Don't hesitate to knock on a door if you don't see a neighbor for a few days or call the Village Hall and we will perform a wellness check.

Remember that the Village has a snow parking plan in effect and make sure you have your car off the street so that our snow plows can ensure safe travel throughout our village.

On November 11th, we will recognize Veterans Day and I hope you will take a moment to reflect on the sacrifices made so that we can live our lives free of tyranny and under the warm shelter of our Constitution.

Lastly, on behalf of myself, my family and all of your elected officials and Village administrators, I want to wish you and your loved ones a peaceful and joyful Thanksgiving holiday.

Sincerely,

Mayor Lou Presta



# Is Your Trailer, Camper or Boat Parked Legally?

Residents parking their trailers, campers or boats in Crestwood should be aware of the Village ordinance regarding the proper storage of such vehicles. To ensure that you are in compliance, please be aware of the ordinance as it is written:

§ 159.126 TRAILER, CAMPER AND BOAT PARKING RESTRICTIONS.

(B) Parking restrictions in residential districts. No travel trailer, boat, boat trailer or commercial trailer, as herein defined, shall be parked or stored within three feet of any lot line nor within any front yard of R-1 and R-2 Residential Districts, as defined by §§ 159.004, 159.033 and 159.047.

# In the Works ...

- Work is being done to illuminate the grand evergreens located behind the “Crestwood” shrubbery to mark the entrance of our shopping gateway.
- Bids are being taken for the new carpeting of our Rec Center.
- We look forward to the start of a new project with ComEd, installing new LED lights on all ComEd poles.
- Updating our Village Sewer and Water Atlas to better serve the community.
- Thanks to local businessman and developer Dan Abdo for his donation of a backup generator for the Village of Crestwood, and to Cassidy Excavating and Palos Electric for their roles in delivery and service.



# Village of Crestwood Toy Drive

The Village of Crestwood will once again begin to collect new toys to help out The Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation. In the past years, the Village has been successful in collecting new toys to deliver to many children through this organization’s generosity. Our toy drive will start December 1st, and end December 23rd. There will be a bin located inside the Village Hall where the toys can be dropped off. We encourage our residents and businesses to participate in any way they can. Your involvement is greatly appreciated. ONLY NEW TOYS ARE ACCEPTED. NO STUFFED ANIMALS OF ANY KIND, PLEASE.

The Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing comfort and distraction to children and teens who have been diagnosed with cancer and are enduring painful procedures, providing gifts from a treasure chest. The Foundation supports more than 9,300 children and teens each month who are diagnosed with cancer and treated at one of 45 hospitals nationwide. The Foundation depends on contributions of money, toys and gifts through personal and corporate channels.

You can make a difference in the lives of children suffering with cancer by donating toys to the Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation's bin inside the Village Hall Dec. 1st-23rd.

The Village will began **construction on Tinley Creek** early November. If you have any questions, please contact Village Manager Bill Graffeo at **(708) 371-4800 ext. 2001**.

# Kids Play for Free!

Mayor Louis Presta would like to invite all Crestwood residents to please start registering your child or children for T-ball, Baseball, Softball and Football for the 2016 season. Please look for more information in the paper on each sport, or call the **Crestwood Recreation and Wellness Center at (708) 371-4810**.

# 2016 Vehicle Sticker Application Update

Vehicle sticker applications for 2016 will be mailed the week of November 23rd and go on sale Monday, December 1st. Starting this year, we are no longer mailing out individual applications to residents. The letter will be marked “vehicle sticker application enclosed.” Please follow the directions on the form, and, as in previous years, you may mail in your renewal or come in to the Village Hall to purchase your stickers. Residents who do not receive a renewal letter should please apply in person for your stickers.

# Funding Approved for 135th Street Improvements

Changes sometimes are a long time coming, but good things do indeed come to those who wait. On Thursday, Oct. 1, the Southwest Council of Mayors approved funding for improvements to 135th Street. The funding, totaling \$900,000.00 from a federal and state grant applied for by Mayor Lou Presta, will cover 80 percent of the costs of the project, which will cover a variety of modifications from Laramie Ave. all the way to Cicero Ave. The first phase includes:

- Installation of storm sewers, curbs and gutters, and removal of all ditches along this stretch
- An 8-foot asphalt bicycle path on the north side
- A 5-foot concrete sidewalk on the south side
- Pedestrian crossing improvements at the school and at Cicero Ave.

The second phase of the project involves improvements to two further sections, from Central Ave. to Laramie (bike path and sidewalks only), and Cicero Ave. to Kostner Ave. (bike path and sidewalks only).

The current project fits nicely into the current storm sewer drainage improvements currently planned for Central Ave. east to Laramie Ave. Once this project is completed, funding will be sought to complete the sidewalk/bike path east to west on 135th Street.

# Christmas Decorating Contest

Get in the holiday spirit! The lights are starting to be hung. Put your creativity to work and have some FUN! The Crestwood Recreation Board will host its annual Christmas decorating contest, looking at houses December 14th-20th. Residents can submit their home addresses to the Village until then, and we will make sure to give submitted addresses an extra look. Winners will be announced in the January issue of the Crestwood Adviser, and we will try to post the addresses on the Village website before Christmas. The winners will also receive award signs for their front yards. The cash prizes are: 1st Place Prize, \$300; 2nd Place Prize, \$200; and 3rd Place Prize, \$100.

There are many beautifully decorated homes in Crestwood, so choosing the top three is a difficult task. Take a drive through our village to see the decorated homes. Feel free to call the **Village Hall at (708) 371-4800** with addresses of any that you feel deserve recognition. Get involved and add to your enjoyment of the holiday season!



Past Crestwood contestant entry from 2013



# We Watch, We Call!

Mayor Presta and the Board of Trustees have heard the requests of many to report crimes in our Village. Working with our Police Department, a compiled snapshot of a month’s reporting will be shown here in the Adviser. Our intent is to inform the public in order to protect and be vigilant in calling upon our Police. The Mayor urges all to stay tuned in to your neighbors’ well-being and property. Call our police, report suspicious activity, be aware. (911 or Dispatch non-Emergency 708-385-5131).

### Deceptive Practice

09-02-2015: A resident reported that he was contacted by Lifelock about his identity being used to purchase cellphones. The victim was able to stop the transactions before they were completed.

09-03-2015: A resident reported that she received a phone call from Tom White, who identified himself as an agent of the IRS. The person told the victim that she owed \$3,600, and that if she didn’t pay it within the hour, she could be arrested. Our resident recognized this call as a potential scam, did not provide any information and did not give any money, instead she reported it to the police.

09-04-2015: A resident reported that she was contacted by her bank about two checks being cashed from her account. The victim has not issued either check that had been cashed. The account has been closed.

09-05-2015: A resident reported that an unknown person attempted to make unauthorized transactions with his credit cards via the Internet.

09-11-2015: A resident reported that upon receiving his monthly bank statements, it was discovered that his bank card information had been used without his authority in Tinley Park and Orland Park.

09-15-2015: A woman reported that she received a new Sprint phone in the mail, even though she is not a customer of Sprint. She contacted the company and found that someone had opened an account with her identity and had purchased five phones.

### Thefts

09-01-2015: A woman reported that her cellphone was stolen from her vehicle while she was inside the Speedway Gas Station.

08-16-2015: It was reported that a gun was stolen from a business teaching a concealed carry class in the 4700 block of Midlothian Turnpike.

09-02-2015: Unknown suspects stolen several loads of laundry from the dryers at Laundryland.

09-09-2015: A resident reported seeing a prowler in her back yard in the 129th block of East Playfield Dr. Numerous police units responded and searched the area. The suspect was pursued and later apprehended behind Hollywood Park. He was arrested for an outstanding warrant.

### Retail Thefts

09-01-2015: A female was arrested after attempting to steal \$313.00 worth of merchandise from Kohl’s.

09-02-2015: A male was arrested at Walmart and charged with retail theft after he attempted to steal \$17.87 worth of merchandise. He was not issued a local ordinance citation because of two prior retail theft citations that had been previously issued.

09-09-2015: A female was arrested at Walmart and charged with retail theft after attempting to steal \$243.00 worth of merchandise. The suspect was charged with a felony due to having numerous prior arrest for retail theft.

09-16-2015: A female was arrested at Walmart after attempting to steal \$191.00 worth of merchandise. The suspect then provided officers with a false name. She was charged with retail theft and obstructing identification.

09-18-2015: An employee of Target was observed under-ringing customers on numerous occasions. She was arrested and charged with retail theft.

09-19-2015: A male was arrested at Menards after attempting to steal \$156.00 worth of batteries.

9-21-2015: A male and female were arrested after stealing numerous items from Auto Zone. The offenders fled the scene and were pursued into Robbins, where they fled on foot, but were apprehended. Both have been charged with felony retail theft and resisting a peace officer, and the driver was charged with fleeing and attempting to elude a police officer.

**12 people were issued local ordinance citations for retail theft during the month of September.**

### No License/Suspended Driver Arrest

09-05-2015: A male was arrested in the 140th block of Pulaski Ave. and issued citations for no brake lights, suspended registration, and driving with a suspended license.

09-09-2015: A female was arrested after being involved in an accident and charged with driving without a license in the 5500 block of 127th St.

09-12-2015: A male was arrested and charged with speeding, driving under the influence of alcohol and

having an alcohol concentration level over .08 after officers observed the vehicle traveling 90 mph on 135th Street.

09-20-2015: A female was arrested in the 137th block of Lamon Ave. after being involved in an accident, while driving a car without a license.

### Burglary

09-07-2015: A resident reported that when he returned to his residence in the 4900 block of 138th Ct., he discovered that someone had entered his house and took several items.

09-09-2015: A burglary was reported in the 139th block of LaVergne Ave., where several items were taken, including a wall safe and laptop computer.

09-25-2015: Unknown suspects broke into a glass overhead door at Jiffy Lube and removed a battery tester and \$60.00.

### Criminal Damage

09-07-2015: Unknown suspects damaged the side of a vehicle by causing numerous scratches in the 127th block of Central Ave.



## Police Cadet Explorer Program

The Crestwood Police Department is looking for youths between the ages of 14 and 19 who may be interested in joining our Cadet/Explorer program. While we do quite a few activities and much training that are law enforcement-related, the main purpose of this program is to help these young people to develop good communication and leadership skills. We also provide training with other agencies, including Cook County Department of Homeland Security, Illinois State Police, Cook County Sheriff’s Police, FBI, DEA, Secret Service and others. Applications are available at the Crestwood Police Station Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 9pm, and 8:30am to noon Saturday.

## Public Notice - Village Parking



Crestwood Village ordinance prohibits parking on *any* village street between 2am and 6am. The reason for this ordinance is so police will be alerted to abandoned vehicles or suspicious vehicles that require investigations. This ordinance also ensures that all streets throughout the Village will be open to fire and rescue equipment in the event of an overnight emergency. This is especially necessary in areas where narrow streets can block large fire trucks. We will continue to enforce this ordinance. Thank you for your cooperation with this ordinance. The initial fine for this violation is \$75.00. This is a Village-wide ordinance. **PLEASE BE SURE THAT YOUR LATE NIGHT AND OVER-NIGHT GUESTS ARE MADE AWARE OF THIS AS WELL!**

## Notice on Snow Removal

Winter is just around the corner, so let’s make sure your vehicles are off of the street after an inch of snowfall, and of course, do not blow or plow snow on our thoroughfares or in your neighbors’ yards.

The Police Department would like to emphasize the fact that you need to contain snow on your own property and not relocate it on Village streets. This applies to all residential, commercial and industrial buildings. As a matter of fact, Crestwood Village code not only prohibits this, but assesses a fine if you are cited for this violation. Judging by the telephone calls that we receive each year, pushing and blowing snow on a recently cleaned street erases the work done by our public works department, and is inconsiderate to your neighbors. Crestwood has more than 26 miles of streets to plow, and the workers cannot keep coming back because of some careless individuals. Consider this a second warning to those who don’t comply and receive a ticket from our police department. Winter weather can be most difficult, and we don’t need to compound the problem. Thank you for all your help to make this a safe winter in Crestwood.







# Trustee Jurka and Illinois Elks Association Raise \$2,000 for Ronald McDonald House Charities with Pop Tabs Donations

Though a single tab may not amount to much, over 6.5 million pop tabs certainly do! That’s how many Crestwood Trustee Dan Jurka and the Illinois Elks Association have collected and donated to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicagoland & Northwest Indiana. Being the only team to collect over 6 million pop tabs across the charity, they have raised \$2,800.00 with nearly 5,135 pounds of pop tabs over the past several years and they haven’t stopped yet!

Dan and Carol Jurka’s third grandson, Jack, was born with underdeveloped lungs in June of 2007. Jack was rushed to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Loyola Hospital. Their son, Dan Jr. and his wife Crista, was able to stay at the Ronald McDonald House there for only a \$5 donation per day while Jack recovered. Grateful for the Ronald McDonald House’s hospitality, Dan and Carol got involved with the pop tabs program, invited the Chicago South Elks Lodge No. 1596 in Crestwood along with the Illinois Elks Association throughout Illinois to join the team, and kept on going, breaking the record with their devoted pop tab drive. Since then, Crestwood’s fire department, Crestwood library, Biela Center Seniors, and the Blue Island Engles Aerie 1332, and many individuals have also been instrumental in the drive’s success.

## Hometown Support Group for Visually Impaired Reaches Out to Community

Visually impaired residents of the Village of Crestwood have a standing offer from a local support group that has their interests at heart — because they’re members of the visually impaired community themselves. Sights Unlimited Chapter 1 got its start 30 years ago when a number of people assembled at the Hometown, Ill., library and decided that they could do something to help others with vision impairment. Today, the group is still going strong, meeting on the second and fourth Tuesdays most months, from 12:00-2:00pm, at the Hammond Community Hall in Hometown.

The purpose of Sights Unlimited Chapter 1 is to advocate for issues vital to the visually impaired, and to help members to cope with vision loss through education, social activity and friendship. Current champion of this group is Carol Lampe, who joined the group more than 25 years ago, learning braille, access technologies, safe mobility and more with the group’s assistance after having struggled with being legally blind since birth, and having lost her remaining sight through the years. Largely because of this experience, Lampe came to believe in the power of group support, and directed her passion into it, becoming first an assistant leader and then chapter director, a duty she has performed for the last 10 years with energy and enthusiasm.

At the group’s meetings, Lampe relies on her assistant leader and a small number of volunteers who help her to plan and run the meetings. Opening with a prayer and a bit of social time with cake and coffee, the meetings typically mix a full agenda in with the fun. New members are introduced, and a speaker or topic for discussion often will follow. Discussion time is a

favorite and especially enriching part of each meeting, as the group addresses questions that are universal to nearly any sight-challenged person. Practical considerations such as, “How do you manage grocery shopping?” often give way to questions that allow for emotional exploration and growth, like, “How are you feeling about your vision loss?” Guest speakers visiting the group range from those teaching on topics relevant to the vision impaired or demonstrating new products for their use to Social Security representatives and even a humorist, on one occasion.

Currently the group numbers about 25, but the group encourages anyone in the area with visual impairment to join in the learning and fun. For more information and to become a part of Sights Unlimited Chapter 1, contact Carol Lampe directly at **[cmlampe@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cmlampe@sbcglobal.net)**.



Carol Lampe (center, with cane) and the members of Sight Unlimited Chapter 1 encourage any visually impaired individuals to join it for support and life enrichment.

## Registration Fee Reimbursement Rules for Crestwood Residents

As you may know, the Village of Crestwood will cover the cost of registration fees for Crestwood residents for several of its recreational sports teams in 2016, including the Crestwood Soccer Club (recreational in-house only; not for travel teams), Crestwood Fastpitch Softball, Crestwood T-Ball, Crestwood Baseball and Mid-Crest Panthers Football and Cheerleading.

Below is a look at the guidelines and procedures that must be followed so that your organization receives reimbursement in a timely manner, and so that there is no confusion for Crestwood residents who register:

Proof of residency will be required of the resident at the time of registration.

Your organization can either ask residents to bring copies of their driver’s licenses or state IDs when they come to register, or you can make a copy of their licenses on registration day.

The Village will need to see all completed Crestwood resident registration forms and copies of all the Crestwood residents’ driver’s licenses for verification purposes.

To begin the reimbursement process, the completed registration forms and driver’s license copies should be put in a sealed envelope and dropped off at the Crestwood Recreation & Wellness Center (CWRC),

addressed “Attn: Joe Sadowski.” Once received, Joe will verify that all of the information is correct, and submit an invoice to the Village for reimbursement to your organization. If you need anything returned after verification, please let Joe know.

If the completed registration forms are received prior to the 5th day of the month, your organization will receive a reimbursement check by the end of that month. If the forms are received after the 5th day of the month, a reimbursement check may not be received until the end of the next month, as the Village only issues checks once a month.

Organizations have two (2) options for reimbursement: Wait until registration is over for the season and receive one reimbursement check from the Village, or submit the forms by the timeline listed above and receive a check from the Village once per month until all Crestwood resident reimbursements have been received for the season.

If your organization offers online registration and Crestwood residents are not able to provide copies of their driver’s licenses at the time of registration to prove residency, it must be noted on your organization’s website and on the receipt that is emailed to parents/guardians how the Crestwood resident will receive reimbursement for their children’s registration fees.

Note: For those organizations that offer online

registration, the statement on the website and on the receipt should read as follows:

If you register your child at any of our in-person registrations and you are a Crestwood resident, you can do so FREE of charge. Proof of Crestwood residency is required at the time of registration. Please bring a copy of your driver’s license or state ID with you to prove residency.

If you register online, you will have to pay the appropriate registration fee. However, all Crestwood residents will be reimbursed in a timely manner through the Village. If you’re a Crestwood resident, you should bring the receipt that you receive via email after you register — along with proof of residency — in to the Crestwood Recreation & Wellness Center (5331 W. 135th Street) during regular business hours, and the Village will process a check and mail it directly to your home within a few weeks.

Please remember — reimbursement for the Crestwood athletes includes only the recreational in-house teams, not the travel teams, and any fundraising that is done by your organization (e.g., candy sales) during the season is not covered by the Village.

Should you have any questions or concerns about the reimbursement program, please contact Joe Sadowski at the CWRC, at **(708) 371-4810**.



# Crestwood Water Rates Remain Lowest In Area

Did you know that Crestwood’s water billing rate remains \$2.22 below the average water billing rates in Illinois?

According to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Water Resources, 2015 Lake Michigan Water Rate Survey, the Village of Crestwood remains far below most every other municipality using Lake Michigan water. Most amazing about maintaining such a low rate is the fact that Crestwood’s water rates are dependent upon “upstream” rates charged by both the City of Chicago and Alsip, Illinois, who provide water through their treatment plants and pumping stations to the Village of Crestwood.

Most municipalities within close proximity to Crestwood charge significantly more for water like Harvey, which charges \$7.60, Palos Heights which charges \$9.81 and Country Club Hills which charges \$9.21.

Amazingly, in 2010 the Village of Crestwood was charging \$3.59 for water, which was \$1.63 lower than the average of all municipalities. Today Crestwood’s rate is even lower than the average rate being \$2.22 below every other city and town!

How does the Village of Crestwood manage to keep its rates so low? That answer is found in a concerted effort by village administrators to manage water responsibly and the determination of Crestwood’s Mayor and Trustees to

aggressively move toward restoration of failing water pipes which stop leakage and minimize the water being purchased from Chicago and Alsip.

Household budgets are being strained by every family in Illinois and here in Crestwood, the concerns of our residents are being addressed through smart management and forward thinking that ensures the vital delivery of water to our residents and businesses is of the highest quality and the lowest rate possible.

The Village of Crestwood	
Billing Frequency (Quarterly)	
Residential	\$5.75
Commercial	\$5.75
Min. Bill Rate	\$57.50
Min. Rate Description <i>Flat Rate (Rate Structure)</i>	Residential min. is 10,000 gallon at a cost \$57.50 for water only.
True Cost: Yes or No	YES

## ZIP Code Question Again Under Review by USPS

Per Congressman Rush’s request, the U.S. Postal Service Inspector General initiated an investigation of the USPS’s decision to not award an independent ZIP code to the Village of Crestwood. After examining the preliminary results, the IG has expanded their investigation to review the practice and process of the USPS in designating new ZIP codes nationwide. As a result, the outcome of the Crestwood investigation has been delayed pending the completion of the national review of USPS policy and procedures relating to the designation of new ZIP codes.



It is clear that the Postmaster General has allocated several ZIP codes in the past without uniform criteria in place. We urge our residents to continue to ask legislators to speak on Crestwood’s behalf on this issue, and will share the investigations findings when completed. Village responses were overwhelmingly in favor of a new ZIP code, and did a great job on a survey that never before has been set before Illinois residents; but uniquely requested by the Postmaster.

## Thank You to the 5K Walk/Run Sponsors

Thank you very much for your generous sponsorship of the 1st Annual St. Christopher School 5K Walk/Run. The event would not have been the success that it was without your generosity.

Over 330 people participated in the event, helping our school and building a sense of community in our neighborhood.

We appreciate your generosity in helping our school children!

## Beautification Awards Winners Announced

The names of the winners of the 2015 Beautification Awards are in! It was a robust list of participants this year, but the ones who outdid themselves have earned not only the honor of the win, but the respect of the community. Here are this year’s Beautification Awards winners from Crestwood:

Anthony Blazeniak	Bruce Kainrath	Jerome & Diane Roulo
Virginia Blazeniak	Donna Keith	Edward Russell
Thomas Clark	Randall King	Carl Salamone
John & Maria Coleman	Mike & Ireta Kuras	Jeffrey Scapardine
Michael Daugherty	David Langland	James Scheide
Laurie Dinsmore	Peter & Valerie	George Schlomas
James Dowling	Mangano	Gloria Skubis
Chiara Dyer	Amy Matutis	William Stroner
Thomas Farmer	Joseph & Diane	Laura Suchie
Eugene Forkin	McArian	Pranas Svedkauskas
David Gier	Jerry McCudden	Jeanette Templeton
Frank & Barbara	Richard McCully	Edna Wakeham
Gromala	Leslie Mohr	Robert Weber
Kathleen Guerrero	John Mooi	Karl Wisniewski
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## What Is Your Emergency Management Agency?

Crestwood Emergency Management Agency is a department of volunteers within the Village of Crestwood. These dedicated volunteers respond to the needs of citizens when police, fire and public works have reached their limits.

Your local E.M.A. is made up of your neighbors and residents of the surrounding communities who volunteer to respond to the needs of Crestwood. They are on call 24/7, ready to respond to whatever the incident may be. These loyal members are trained through local, state and federal agencies in search and rescue (SAR), first aid/CPR, NIMS, weather spotting, and much more.

E.M.A. assists with traffic control during power outages when the town loses traffic lights, when power lines are down, and at accident scenes. We work at town events such as the annual Soccer, Pet and T-Ball Parades, the Fire Department's Health Fair, Halloween Patrol, and recently at Junk in the Trunk at the Wellness Center. We handle the traffic for the Weish Fest, Elim School's Dutch Fest, and for the Antique Car Show. When flooding occurs, they put up signs and cone off areas to keep the residents safe. E.M.A. members observe the local schools in the spring during the Tornado Drill tests, and are responsible for emergency weather siren alerts.

Crestwood E.M.A. is a member of S.M.A.R.T. (Suburban Mutual Aid Response Teams), which is made up of 26 communities. When more manpower is needed, we call on one another to aid each other's municipalities. Crestwood assisted Oak Forest with its Gaelic Fest and Oak Fest, while they assisted us at Mitch's Pub (lighting unit and traffic) during the hostage situation, at last year's Pet Parade, during Copper Still's grand opening and at 137th for a traffic accident that knocked out the traffic lights. We received assistance from Orland Hills EMA, Markham EMA, Oak Forest EMA, and Blue Island EMA for the Stanley Cup.

We've had requests from Cook County to bring out our lighting units to the Oak Lawn multi-vehicle accident with fatalities on 95th Street, to the hostage situation in Harvey, and traffic control for a fatal accident on Midlothian

Turnpike and Ridgeland. August 27th, we assisted Robbins PD & Cook County with traffic control and our lighting units for the accident with fatalities on Central Park Avenue and 137th Street.

All this our members do to help keep the residents of Crestwood safe.

We have open meetings. Anyone interested in participating as a volunteer member, please attend our meetings for more information, or call the Village Hall at (708) 371-4800 x7000.

Meetings are held at our building (13755 S Lamon Ave.) at 7pm on the 4th Thursday of each month.

**Crestwood Emergency Management**

*Nancy Cistaro, Director*

### Crestwood Fire Department | 2015 CPR Classes

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**FF/PM Chrysa Jonas - CPR Coordinator**  
**Call 708-371-4805** or email [Cjonas@villageofcrestwoodil.gov](mailto:Cjonas@villageofcrestwoodil.gov)



# Shepard Celebrates Art Week



Art teachers and students from Shepard High School made themselves a little more conspicuous than usual this week, reminding classmates, fellow faculty, and the community in general of the value of their media in education.

Students decorated hallways for Art Week and even took their message to the sidewalks around school. They also displayed their work at the Palos Heights Public Library.

Perhaps the most innovative display involved a bit of recycling: Students took toilet paper rolls and used them as the base to create a remarkable piece of art.

“The students were able to communicate a favorite memory or hobby using shapes — silhouettes in this case — while keeping scale, proportion and depth in mind,” teacher Jen Glaz said.

Students hand-cut most of the elements in the tubes with craft knives. They painted each with white acrylic.

“I was inspired to know a bit more about my

students and their lives,” Glaz said. “I was also very excited to try something different for our studies on ‘shape.’ The ability to interweave new ideas into lessons really keeps my students motivated. It also allows me to expose them to projects they may have never seen before. On top of all of that, it just makes me happy!”



The Palos Heights Public Library displayed works created by students from Shepard High School as part of the Art Week celebration.

## Brother Rice Open House Dates

Brother Rice High School will host open houses for prospective students and families on Sunday, Nov. 1st, and Sunday, Nov. 22nd, 2015. The school will be open from 11:00am-1:00pm for parents/guardians and their students to receive an individualized tour of the school from a member of the National Honor Society. Administration, teachers, coaches and staff will be present to meet with families and answer any questions regarding Brother Rice and the admissions process.

Prospective students can also take advantage of the open house dates to schedule an opportunity to “shadow” a Brother Rice student. Eight-grade boys are welcome to take the Brother Rice entrance exam on Saturday, Jan. 9th, at 8:00am. To register to shadow or request information, visit the Brother Rice website at BrotherRice.org, or contact Admissions Director Tim O’Connell ’03 (toconnell@brrice.org, (773) 429-4312), for more information.

## Donor Appreciation Mass & Reception

Sunday, November 22th, 2015 | 9:30 am Mass of Celebration  
Reception in the school gym immediately following Mass

You are cordially invited to attend our Donor Appreciation Mass and Reception on Sunday, November 22th. We are deeply grateful for your generosity and support of out school. We invite you to attend this special event, so that we may thank you for your support and so that you may see some of the great things going on in our school that your support has helped to enable. **The events include:**

- 9:30 Donor Appreciation Mass.
- Reception and Continental Breakfast in the gym immediately following Mass until 12:30pm
- The opportunity to visit with some of our school board, faculty and staff.
- Tours of the school guided by our school children.
- The chance to see and learn about some of the great things going on in our school, thanks to your generosity.

We hope to see you there! For more information, please contact the school office by phone at 708-385-8776 or email us at [info@stchrisschool.org](mailto:info@stchrisschool.org).

## St. Chris Fourth Grade Students Study Decomposition in Science Class

Fourth graders were busy making their own "landfill" in class this past week. In two weeks, our fourth graders will see which items that they buried will decompose. The students buried apple peels, bread, paper, lettuce, foil, plastic wrap and popcorn.



## Get Your Shoes on for Chicago Gaelic Park’s Annual Carraig Challenge

Thanksgiving is almost upon us, and with all of that holiday eating comes an opportunity to shed some of those calories, with Chicago Gaelic Park’s Annual Carraig Challenge. The 5K run/1.5 mile walk will be held Sunday, Nov. 29th, 2015, at 10:30am, starting from Chicago Gaelic Park (6119 W. 147th St., Oak Forest). The event serves as a benefit for Gaelic Park Charities, which provide for those in need across the Chicagoland area.

Awards will be distributed for various age groups, as well as a team award. Registration includes a T-shirt and Carraig Pub drink ticket, with discount pricing for families and students. Among featured amenities for the event are a finishers’ water and food table with hot soup, an indoor heated prep/waiting area with restrooms. Participants are invited to stay for the Bears game, during which free food will be served at halftime.

To register, visit the online event page at [www.racetime.info](http://www.racetime.info).

For questions or more information, contact Chicago Gaelic Park at **(708) 687-9323** or [officecpg@chicagogaelpark.org](mailto:officecpg@chicagogaelpark.org).

Chicago Gaelic Park

Carraig Challenge

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Thanksgiving Weekend

Sunday, November 29, 2015 at 10:30am

Chicago Gaelic Park 6119 W. 147<sup>th</sup> St, Oak Forest, IL

Age Group Awards / Team Award

TShirt, and Carraig Pub Drink Ticket with Registration

Indoor Heated Prep/Waiting Area with Bathrooms

Finishers water / food table with hot soup

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Proceeds to Gaelic Park Charities – providing to those in need throughout the Chicagoland area



## Governor Joins Astros at Honor Flight Chicago



Bruce Rauner, governor of the State of Illinois, joined the U.S. Air Force JROTC students from Shepard High School at Honor Flight Chicago last month.

For the last six years, the U.S. Air Force JROTC program from Shepard High School has volunteered for the Honor Flight Chicago program.

Honor Flight pays for veterans and a companion to fly to Washington, D.C., for a day of touring historical sites and war memorials.

They leave early in the morning from Midway Airport and return late at night to a rally where family members, volunteers, and active-duty service members welcome them back to Chicago.

It’s always a festive event, featuring cheering crowds and a brass band playing patriotic music. Last week, however, provided a thrill the Shepard students won’t forget: Governor Bruce Rauner joined the Shepard students and JROTC instructors Major Dan Johnson and Master Sergeant Chris Saberniak.

They talked with the governor, posed for photos, and shared a great experience welcoming American veterans home from the trip to Washington.

## Attention Shepard Students: Career Events

Careers in Clinical Engineering will be the topic of a trip to Advocate Christ Medical Center on November 12th, 2015. Clinical Engineers design, develop and evaluate the efficiency and safety of biomedical and diagnostic equipment. They research new materials and offer advice on how to use, install and repair equipment. Students interested in this exciting field should see Mrs. Bennett for more information about attending this event.

Pipefitters Local 597 will host students interested in welding and pipefitter careers on November 6th, 2015. Students interested in learning more about how to start on a career path as a trade professional should see Mrs. Bennett about attending this informative event.

## Bridging Ceremony Brings Scouting Commitments Through 2016

Girl Scout Troops 60795 and 60798 had their year-end Bridging and Rededication Ceremony on Saturday, July 11th. The Bridging Ceremony is done after the girls complete two years at their current scout level. This year, girls from Troop 60795 moved up from being Brownies to Juniors. During the Rededication Ceremony, girls from Troop 60798 who have completed one year at their current scout level make the commitment to continue on with Girl Scouts. After the ceremony, family and friends joined the girls for a picnic celebration. Both troops would like to extend a special thank-you to Crestwood businesses for making food donations, including Ultra Foods, Popeye’s Chicken, Chipotle Mexican Restaurant, Jimmy John’s, and Culver’s frozen custard. We look forward to the challenges and learning experiences of the current scouting year, and working with the girls throughout the community.

## Shadow Days at McAuley!



Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School invites prospective students to visit

Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School invites prospective students to participate in its ongoing Shadow Days. This is an opportunity for those interested in attending McAuley to meet teachers, students, and to get a feel for what student life is like. Follow your hostess’s schedule for a day and learn about the McAuley experience. (A free lunch is provided, as well.)

Parents looking to register their daughters for a Shadow Day should do so at least three school days prior to a visit by completing the online Shadow Day registration form at [www.mothermacauley.org](http://www.mothermacauley.org). (Search under “Admissions.”)

Visiting students should plan to visit on a day that they do not have school. They are also requested to please dress appropriately — pants or skirts are

acceptable but no tank tops, sweats or shorts. Students should arrive at the McAuley Student Lounge at 7:45am, and plan to spend the entire school day at McAuley. School gets out at 2:50pm every day except Thursday, which has a condensed schedule and a 1:35pm dismissal.

Please note, McAuley students are only allowed one shadow per day. A FREE lunch pass will be provided.

**Questions? Please contact Mrs. Nancy Lynch in the Recruitment Office at (773) 881-6566 or [nlynch@mothermcauley.org](mailto:nlynch@mothermcauley.org).**



# CRWC Brings World War II Vets Together



On November 11th, as we do every year, America observes Veterans Day, when we honor those who have served our country through the armed forces. In Crestwood, the holiday came a bit early this year, with the assembling of five World War II veterans at the Crestwood Recreation & Wellness Center, where the gentlemen — who range in age from 89 to 93 — each have been coming to do their workouts for some time.

The five, including Ben Czachura, Eugene “Gino” Kalck, Joe Leo, Joe Mango and John Rosier, should have been six. Gordon Brown was very enthusiastic for the meet-up, but was temporarily sidelined by health issues. Each of the men present had stories to share — some from the front lines, some from the home front, some at sea and all fascinating slices of history.

“I’ve been to Germany several times,” Rosier, 91, started. “The first time I went, I didn’t have to have a passport. They told us we’re going to make a river crossing of the Saar River.” After making the initial crossing, having been told to take only one ration apiece with them — Rosier insisting his men take two — they found themselves cut off. “My two rations didn’t last very long. But we captured a German pillbox. Their rations were terrible. They had pig’s feet, potatoes and turnips. We couldn’t heat them up, because we were dug in, so we had to eat them cold. Even hot, I imagine they were bad.”

Like many young people of the time, Mango, 93, enlisted after Pearl Harbor with the intent of going to war. He ended up serving in an entirely different capacity. “They sent me to Iowa State College and put me in a lot of courses, and I worked on a remote-controlled airplane type of thing — engineering/design work,” he recalled. That appointment ended up setting his course for life. “I had a firm, Mango Design, after I got out. But my [time during the war] was all in the States.”

Leo, 89, joined the Navy when he was “not quite 18.” After several months of training, he found himself on a series of troop ships before being assigned to the USS Robertson for the duration of the war. “We spent the rest of the war in the Pacific,” he said. “We just had different areas to search, for submarines or whatever enemy we could find. Toward the end of the war, we ended up in the area of Okinawa, where one of the last fights took place. My job there was, ‘Pass the ammunition.’ I took ammunition from the guy who was inside the ship and passed it overhead to the guy who was in the gun tub. They got rid of it.”

“I enlisted in the Navy in ’43,” Czachura, 91, remembers. It wasn’t an easy branch of the service for him to be a part. “It was miserable for me, because I was seasick the whole time. I begged to get off, but no way. ‘You stay on there.’ But we were all over the Pacific. We were in New Guinea, and ... I can’t even remember all the islands, but eventually we ended up in the Philippines. We were there when the war ended.”

Most of these gentlemen were reserved about the action they had seen, but Kalck had bitter memories to share. “We were in Patton’s army, following his



World War II veterans Ben Czachura, Joe Mango, Eugene “Gino” Kalck, Joe Leo and John Rosier assembled for a historic meeting at the Crestwood Recreation & Wellness Center. (Inset: Gordon Brown)

tanks,” he explains. “My sergeant came running up to me and he said, ‘We’re in a crossfire, here. We’re in a horseshoe — the bullets are going across and we’re hitting our own men.’ I said, ‘No problem.’ So I called the tank leader and said, ‘Would you do me a favor? Move your ... tanks out of there, because you’re going to be killing my own men.’ Well, he backed up about 15 feet and hit a landmine, and killed 12 of my men. That’s like losing 12 of your children. So I became a man real fast. It was horrible, but we made it through the war. But I still pray for those 12 soldiers.”

As Crestwood celebrates Veterans Day, we honor these six men for their service, along with all those who have served in our nation’s armed forces.

Thanks to Doreen Kalck for her assistance in arranging the meeting for this story.

## Veterans Day 2015 - The best ways to say Thank You

- 1. Just hire a veteran
- 2. Make care packages for service members
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## GET UP & GET OUT!!!

### **Agatha Christie's "Murder on the Nile"**

Thursday, Nov. 5th-Saturday, Nov. 7th, 7:30pm

RedHawk Theatre, Marist High School

4200 W. 115th St., Chicago

Marist High School's Theatre Guild presents this Agatha Christie classic that follows a young couple on their honeymoon. Dark circumstances present themselves as a thrilling whodunit unfolds! Tickets will be available at the door. Cost is \$5 for students and \$8 for adults. Enter through the main office entrance at the west end of the campus.

### **"The Laramie Project"**

Thursday, Nov. 5th-Saturday, Nov. 7th, 7:00pm

Shepard Fine Arts Center

13049 S Ridgeland Ave, Palos Heights

The Laramie Project is a documentary-styled play that analyzes the death of Matthew Shepard, an openly gay college student who was brutally murdered because of his sexual identity. The play was created by playwright/director Moisés Kaufman and members of the Tectonic Theater Project.

### **Family Night Out: Stars, Stories and S'mores**

Thursday, Nov. 5th, 5:00-8:00pm

Cook County Forest Preserve District – Swallow Cliff Stairs

10267 Calumet Sag Rd, Palos Hills

Bring the family and enjoy an evening in the forest. Enjoy a fire, storytelling, snacks and other nature activities. Cost: Free

### **Illumination: Tree Lights at The Morton Arboretum in Lisle**

Friday, Nov. 20th, 2015-Sunday, Jan. 2nd, 2016

Doors open 5:00pm; last entry at 8:30pm, lights out 9:30pm

Declared a "must-see destination" by the Chicago Tribune, "Illumination: Tree Lights" at The Morton Arboretum returns this November with more lights, sights and sounds that will transform a Chicago-area wintertime walk in the woods into a colorful, inspiring experience like no other. Brand-new experiences in 2015 include dazzling lighting effects on Meadow Lake, and Ornament Hill, where a series of glowing orbs create a glittering vista. Visitors can also take in new effects — sing to the trees to activate LED lights that rain down from the trees like shiny strands of tinsel, and watch as lights dance, synchronized to updated music from the world-renowned Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Cost: \$17-\$20 for adults, \$11-\$13 for children. See website at [www.MortonArboretum.org](http://www.MortonArboretum.org) for details.





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## Biela Halloween Bash Brings Out the Best in Area Seniors

Even by the standards of the lively group at the Biela Center, it was a colorful afternoon on Tuesday, Oct. 27th, as the seniors showed up in force for the annual Halloween party. In addition to festive decor, many who showed up were in costume, giving an extra edge of fun to the proceedings. Those in attendance enjoyed a nice afternoon of festive company, as well as a buffet featuring many handmade dishes and treats, including Dorothy’s famous cucumber sandwiches.

“It’s so nice to come here and see different people, and have delicious food,” Annette du Chatellier remarked, as she sat enjoying lunch in the company of her friends, including newcomer Henrietta Preston. Henrietta — who, at 93, still loves to line dance and polka, among other dances — happened to be dressed in an outfit that coordinated just perfectly with the beets on her plate. “I wish I could come more often, but I live way west, in Homer Glen,” she said, ruefully. “I enjoy coming here. It’s been a nice place. They have nice gifts, and I enjoy the bingo.”

Bingo, as most who attend the parties at the Biela Center will attest, is always the big event. The prize tables were piled high for a full afternoon of fun on this particular Tuesday, and the gals were all ready to make the most of it, bells in hand.

Bells? “For 22,” one of Annette’s friends explained. “If they say, ‘I-22!’ you ring the bell.”

There’s never a shortage of silly fun to be had with the Biela Center bingo crowd. See all of you at the Thanksgiving party on Nov. 17th!



Annette du Chatellier and Henrietta Preston were just two of many who showed up to enjoy a festive afternoon of fun at the Biela Center’s Halloween party.



Prizes were piled almost as high as the fun as those attending the Biela Center’s Halloween party enjoyed a buffet lunch — including Dorothy’s famous cucumber sandwiches — and a lively afternoon of bingo.


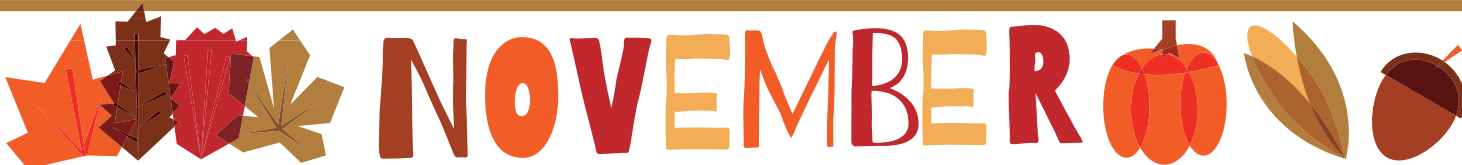
## Reminder: Moonlight Harvest Senior Citizen Dance

Area seniors interested in attending the Moonlight Harvest Senior Citizen Dance being held at Shepard High School (13049 S. Ridgeland Ave., Palos Heights) Saturday, Nov. 14, 2015, from 4:00-7:30pm, are reminded that tickets will not be sold at the door. Tickets must be purchased no later than Nov. 6 for this rousing event that will feature dinner, bingo and entertainment by the Teddy Lee Orchestra. To purchase tickets, come to the Security Office at Shepard between 8:00am-3:00pm Monday-Friday. Please make checks out to Shepard High School. Please note that only checks or money orders will be accepted — no cash — and that tickets will not be available at the door on the day of the event. **For more information, please call (708) 371-1111 x3041.**

# Village & Biela Center Happenings

Unless otherwise indicated, all listed events are at the Biela Center, 4545 Midlothian Turnpike.

For more Information  
**708-371-4860 Ext. 6001**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2  <b>GOBBLE!</b>	3 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie	4 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:30 p.m. Crestwood Seniors 1:00 p.m. Movie	5 12:00 p.m. Cards 1:00 p.m. Movie	6 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie
9 11:15 a.m. Fitness 1:00 p.m. Movie	10 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie	11 <i>Closed Veteran Day</i>	12 12:00 p.m. Cards 1:00 p.m. Movie	13 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:00 p.m. Lunch 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie
16 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:30 p.m. Biela Seniors 1:00 p.m. Movie	17 <i>Thanksgiving Lunch - 11 AM</i> 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie	18 <i>Blood Pressure - 9:30 AM</i> 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:30 p.m. Crestwood Seniors 1:00 p.m. Movie	19 <i>“Christmas Story” - 11 AM</i> 12:00 p.m. Cards 1:00 p.m. Movie	20 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:00 p.m. Dessert 1:00 p.m. Bingo 1:00 p.m. Movie
23 11:15 p.m. Fitness	24 12:00 p.m. Dessert 1:00 p.m. Bingo	25 11:15 a.m. Fitness	26 <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i>	27 <i>Closed</i>
30 11:15 a.m. Fitness 12:30 p.m. Biela Seniors 1:00 p.m. Movie	 <h1>NOVEMBER</h1>			



**Look What’s Cooking!!!**

Lunch and bingo or a movie for over 50

Tuesday, November 3	Italian Sausage
Friday, November 6	Ham on Rye
Tuesday, November 10	Hamburger
Friday, November 13	Salami Sandwich
Tuesday, November 17	Thanksgiving Party (Turkey)
Friday, November 20	Dessert & Bingo
Tuesday, November 24	Dessert & Bingo
Friday, November 27	Closed - No Lunch, No Bingo, and No Fitness
Tuesday, December 1	Cheese Pizza & Salad

Enjoy a delicious lunch (\$4.00) at the Biela Center at noon. Bingo and a movie start at 1 p.m.. Please help us by making reservations. Reservations for Tuesday lunch must be made by 4 p.m. Friday and reservations for Friday lunch must be made by 4 p.m. Wednesday.

**Movies of the month to be shown at the Biela Center**

Thank you to the Crestwood Library for donating these movies for our seniors to watch.

November 2 - 6	“Hotel Transylvania”
November 9 - 13	“Beaches”
November 16 - 20	“Christmas Vacation”
November 23 - 25	(NO MOVIE)
November 30 - Dec. 5	“Polar Express”

*Movies are shown Monday through Friday at 1 p.m.*

**Never A Dull Moment at the Biela Center**

By now you know the Biela Center is located at 4545 Midlothian Turnpike, but do you know what goes on a daily basis? Senior citizens, you never have to be bored again.

Take a look at the many activities that wait for you here:

\*Choose a senior fitness group that works best for you-one, two, or three times a week.

\*Keep your driving privileges, and your freedom, by attending one of our frequent Rules of the Road classes held throughout the year.

\*Every week we offer free movies for your enjoyment in a relaxed atmosphere.

\*Lunch and bingo are offered Tuesdays and Fridays all year at the Biela Center.

\*Free blood pressure screening is offered every month.

\*Join us for some of our group trips to casinos, plays, theaters, and other interesting venues.

**Chicago South Elks Lodge 1596**

The Elks, in cooperation with the Biela Center, continue to collect pop-tabs for Ronald McDonald House as well as eyeglasses, greeting cards, used cell phones and chargers for other charities.

For more information, contact the Elks at 708-597-7465 or the Biela Center at 708-371-4860, EXT 6001.

***Sorry....No refunds can be made***

We’ve often experienced last-minute cancellations for our various day trips. We have to make it clear that when reservations are confirmed, refunds will not be issued.

Therefore, no refunds can be given for any trip unless we have a waiting list or if you can find a replacement for your reserved space. When you register for a trip, you have two weeks to decide before payment.

Please arrive 15 minutes before scheduled departure time for a trip. We do publish the scheduled departure time for our trips. Your cooperation will be appreciated. Many passengers are very sensitive to strong perfumes and aftershaves. We ask that you think of others if you use them.

**Senior Fitness Offered at the Biela Center**

The Biela Center offers a great fitness class one, two, or three times a week, and you can work at your own pace. Feel better and sleep better.

Diana Esparza, our instructor, will guide you through your special needs. Classes are held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 11:15 a.m.

The cost is \$30 for 24 classes, \$20 for 16 classes, \$10 for eight classes or a \$2 daily fee.

**CASINO TRIPS**

***When making casino reservations, please have your card number or address and date of birth. Remember, you must have a valid picture ID at the casino....Winning more than \$1,199 requires showing your social security card.....!***

**Ameristar Casino**

Enjoy the day gambling in East Chicago, Indiana at the Ameristar Casino. The trip includes 4 hours of fun and gaming and \$10 toward the lunch buffet.

When: Thursday, January 21st, 2016  
Time: Depart 9 am - Return 3 pm  
Cost: \$27

Call 371-4860, ext. 6001 for reservations



**"Horseshoe Casino"**

Spend a pleasant winter's day at the Horseshoe Casino in Hammond, Indiana. Trip includes transportation and lunch buffet.

When: Wednesday, February 24th, 2016  
Time: Depart 9 am - Return 4:30 pm  
Cost: \$27

Call 371-4860, ext. 6001 for reservations

**"Thanksgiving Luncheon Scheduled For Nov. 17th"**

The Biela Center's Thanksgiving luncheon will be held on Tuesday, November 17th beginning at 11 a.m. Lunch will start at noon, followed by Bingo for those attending the party.

Reservations are necessary, and no reservation will be accepted after November 10th. Tickets are \$10. Call the Biela Center at 371-4800 or just stop by to reserve your spot at this annual event.

Call 371-4860, ext. 6001 for reservations

**"A Christmas Story"**

Who can ever forget the charming film about Ralphie's quest for the RED RYDER BB Gun that long ago Christmas!! It's a true audience pleaser. A must see during the holiday season.

When: Thursday, November 19th  
Time: Depart 11:00 am  
Where: Theatre at the Center-Munster, Indiana  
Cost: \$74 (includes transportation, lunch and show- (choice of roast beef or roast turkey)

**"Shopping Downtown"**

Spend the day finding those last minute gifts for Christmas. You will be dropped off at the Christkindl Market at Daley Plaza, then you are free to shop and have lunch on your own.

When: Thursday, December 3rd  
Time: Depart 9:30 am; Return 4:00pm  
Cost: \$26 (transportation only)

**"Christmas Luncheon - December 15th"**



When: Tuesday, December 15th  
Time: Appetizers at 11 a.m.  
Lunch at noon  
Bingo & Raffles at 1 p.m.  
Cost: \$10.00



Bingo for those attending lunch. Make reservations by December 8th. Call 371-4860 ext. 6001.

**Attention Seniors!!!**

The Crestwood Seniors Club is looking for members. They meet on the First and Third Wednesday of the month at 12:30 p.m.

The club does an array of activities at their meetings. Coffee and sweet rolls are available to be enjoyed as the members visit with each other; planned activities are enjoyed on holidays. For the holidays, the club becomes community involved. The members make favors and bring in presents for nursing home residents...

Consider joining a fun group. Please stop in on club day for further information.

Also, the Biela Seniors Club is looking for members. They meet at the Biela Center on the second and fourth Monday at 12:30 pm. Call the Biela Center for more information.

**ATTENTION ALL CARD PLAYERS!!!**



Crestwood's senior card players are looking for new members to join them for pinochle at the Biela Center on Thursdays at noon. If interested, stop in on Thursdays at noon.

**- ATTENTION -**  
**If you have any special needs for seating on the bus please inform us when making reservations.**



*“I’m not offended by all the dumb blonde jokes because I know I’m not dumb.... and I also know that I’m not blonde.” —Dolly Parton*



**BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING AT THE BIELA CENTER OFFERED ON NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>**

Free blood pressure screening will be offered at the Biela Center on Wednesday, November 18th, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Barbara, our Biela Center Blood Pressure Nurse will be available.

**HEARING SCREENING WILL NO LONGER BE AVAILABLE AT THE BIELA CENTER**

If you would like to be tested contact Bruce at the Audibel Center for Hearing Excellence 14164 South Cicero Avenue | Tel: 708-385-3332 to set up an appointment.



# BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS



The Copper Still offers an upscale environment along with affordable food and drinks, especially since its visit from Food Network's Robert Irvine and "Restaurant Impossible" in August.

## Copper Still Featured on Season 12 Premiere of “Restaurant Impossible”

In case you missed all the action, Crestwood’s very own Copper Still had a visit from the Food Network and Celebrity Chef Robert Irvine in August. The iconic television network was in town filming an episode of *Restaurant Impossible*. Season 12 of *Restaurant Impossible* premieres this fall. The Copper Still episode will be featured on Thursday, Nov. 5th (8pm); Friday, Nov. 6th (11pm); and Saturday, Nov. 7th (4pm). Make your reservation today to view the show with the owners and staff as they watch the show for the first time!

## The Changing Of The Guard Takes Place At The Office

On September 1st Tim and Deb Newsome became the new owners of At The Office, located at 4901 Cal Sag Road in the Rivercrest Shopping Center. At The Office is a family oriented restaurant/sports bar with 27 TVs, indoor seating for 130 patrons and a beautiful outdoor patio complete with Tiki bar and an area to play bean bags. There is also a small section dedicated to those who enjoy playing the gaming machines.

The Menu is the same but we will be working on new items along with specials that go with your favorite beer and watching your favor sport event. We also will be looking into providing options for the heath side of you. We will always be the place to have that perfect bit to eat!

The Newsomes have lived in Palos Heights for the past 25 years. Both Tim and Deb graduated from St. Xavier University where they met. They have been married since 1984 and have three children, Brett, Tyler and Abby. Brett and Tyler both reside in Crestwood and Abby is a senior at Shepard High School.

The Newsomes plan on continuing to provide great food and service to their patrons as well as a fun environment to come out and watch the Blackhawks, Bears, Cubs, Sox and Bulls. At The Office is also available to host parties, fundraisers and cater your next event.



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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Town of Worth | Cook County, Illinois

Notice is hereby given to the residents of Worth Township that the Supervisor and Town Board of Trustees have rescheduled the Regular Board Meetings of Thursday, November 26, 2015, and Thursday, December 24, 2015. The November Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 19, 2015, at 7:30pm, and the December Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 17, 2015, at 7:30pm at the Worth Township Town Hall, 11601 S. Pulaski Road, Alsip, Ill. Published this 5th day of September, 2015.

**Katherine A. Elwood**

Worth Township Clerk

## ST. CHRISTOPHER CRAFT SHOW

14611 S. Keeler Ave - Midlothian ~ Free Admission and Free Parking

**Saturday - November 14th - 9 am to 4pm**

**Sunday - November 15th - 8:30 am to 3pm**

Start your holiday shopping early with over 70 Crafters and Vendors

**Stop by for Lunch**

**Bake Sale**

Italian Beef Sandwiches, Homemade Chili, Broccoli Soup and more!

Lots of delicious desserts and Fresh Baked Bread you can take home!

**Adult and Children’s Raffle**

A variety of items to win along with Cash Prizes!

## CRAFTERS WANTED

Interesting in selling your hand-crafted items? The annual St. Chris Holiday Craft and Vendor Show is November 14th and 15th and we have openings!

For more info and an application please visit:  
[www.StChrisSchool.org/craftshow](http://www.StChrisSchool.org/craftshow)  
or email  
[StChrisMothersClub@gmail.com](mailto:StChrisMothersClub@gmail.com)



# PUT A THERMOMETER ON FREEZE WINTER FIRES

Home fires occur more in winter than in any other season. As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, **be fire smart!**

**Half of all home heating fires** occur in the months of

**Heating equipment** is involved in **1** in every **6** reported home fires and **1** in every **5** home fire deaths.

Keep anything that can burn at least **3** feet from any heat source like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators, or space heaters.

Keep portable generators outside, away from windows, and **as far away as possible from your house.**

**Install** and **test** carbon monoxide alarms at least **once a month.**

Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents **every year.**

Store cooled ashes in a tightly covered metal container, and keep it outside at least **10** feet from your home and any nearby buildings.

Plug only **1** heat-producing appliance (such as a space heater) into an electrical outlet at a time.

For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit [www.usfa.fema.gov/winter/](http://www.usfa.fema.gov/winter/) and [www.nfpa.org/winter/](http://www.nfpa.org/winter/)

## Thinking About Selling Your Crestwood Home or Condominium?

## Top Ten Reasons Why You Should Call

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**To Sell Your Home.**

- #10) I AM A LIFETIME CRESTWOOD RESIDENT
- #9) A FULL TIME REALTOR FOR OVER 24 YEARS
- #8) I KNOW CRESTWOOD LIKE THE BACK OF MY HAND
- #7) RE/MAX IS THE WORLD LEADER IN REAL ESTATE
- #6) CLIFF IS THE CRESTWOOD LEADER IN REAL ESTATE
- #5) 100'S & 100'S OF CRESTWOOD PROPERTIES SOLD
- #4) HONORABLE AND TRUSTWORTHY
- #3) TREATS CLIENTS LIKE FAMILY
- #2) I LOVE BEING A REALTOR



AND THE #1 REASON TO HIRE ME AS YOUR REALTOR IS; THE MORE I SELL YOUR CRESTWOOD PROPERTY FOR, THE MORE MINE IS WORTH!

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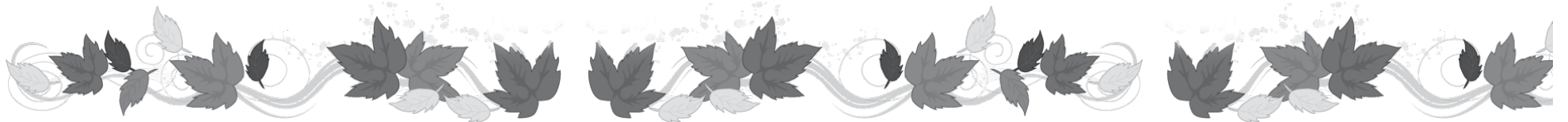
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RE/MAX AND NO ONE SELLS MORE CRESTWOOD HOMES,  
THAN CLIFF.



**CRESTWOOD FEATURED  
HOME OF THE MONTH**

LOCATED ON A HUGE LOT IN THE PLAYFIELD SUB  
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"DIANA"MODEL RANCH HOME HAS A HUGE 30 X 20  
FAMILY ROOM ADDITION W/A BEAUTIFUL STONE  
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S. TONS OF STORAGE. CONCRETE PATIO. 2 1/2 CAR  
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FINE PROPERTY CALL CLIFF AT 708-267-0758.

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## Smart Ideas for Managing Your Cold-Weather Energy Bills

Fall is in full swing, and with the colder weather on its way, customers will continue to raise the temperatures on their thermostats to maintain the comfort level in their homes. This is a good time for customers to take actions that can help them cut energy usage, costs and help the environment. ComEd customers are eligible to participate in one of the largest energy efficiency programs in the nation — the ComEd Smart Ideas Energy Efficiency Program — offering customers an array of options that can even help convert the biggest energy hogs into super energy savers.

Since the launch of Smart Ideas in 2008, the program has helped ComEd customers save more than \$1.5 billion on their electric bills and eliminate 21.6 billion pounds of CO2 emissions from the atmosphere. This is equivalent to removing two million cars from the road.

“There are a number of ways ComEd customers can benefit from the ComEd Smart Ideas Program. This summer our customers saved an estimated \$36 million by taking advantage of money-saving program initiatives,” said Val Jensen, senior vice president of ComEd customer operations. Most recently ComEd partnered with advocacy groups, government agencies and other Illinois utilities to launch the Smart Thermostat Initiative, which offers customer rebates that cut the cost of the technology by nearly 50 percent, and can save about \$100 off of annual utility bills. “This tangible piece

of technology is the next thing to come along in energy efficiency after the compact fluorescent light bulb, and we believe it is going to offer customers substantial savings," said Jensen.

According to Energy Star, a typical single-family home spends nearly \$2,200 a year on its energy bills. Heating accounts for 29 percent of these costs, appliances 13 percent and lighting 12 percent. ComEd's program can help customers reduce the amount of energy they use and keep more money in their pocketbooks.

“There are plenty of simple and low-cost ways customers can save energy in their homes — from changing a few incandescent light bulbs for CFLs, to investing in a new energy-efficient technology like smart thermostats or updated heating and cooling systems,” said George Malek, ComEd Energy Doctor. “ComEd’s energy experts are available to help customers make energy changes to their homes and businesses that can make a positive difference.”

Assessments: Customers not sure where to start looking for energy savings can schedule a FREE energy assessment of their homes or apartments. During the assessment, homeowners will receive free installation of energy-saving products, including ENERGY STAR®-certified CFLs, programmable thermostats, showerheads and more, as well as personalized savings recommendations. Smart thermostats and ENERGY STAR-certified

LEDs are also available for purchase at a discount and include FREE installation.

Recycling: Customers can retire their old fridges or freezers by scheduling a free pickup from ComEd. Old refrigerators and freezers can cost up to \$150 a year in electricity. ComEd will pick up the customer's old, working fridge or freezer for FREE, recycle it in an environmentally responsible way, and send the customer \$50.

Rebates: ComEd and the Illinois gas utilities are offering rebates of up to \$120 on qualifying smart thermostats. These rebates can cut the cost of the devices nearly in half, making the convenience and increased control of energy use more affordable. ComEd also offers a variety of rebates up to \$500 on select ENERGY STAR-certified appliances, including refrigerators, freezers, clothes washers, electric clothes dryers and more.

Discounts: Customers can take advantage of instant in-store discounts on select ENERGY STAR-certified CFLs and LEDs at more than 1,100 local retailers. Simply look for the “Lower Price” sticker to save. CFLs and LEDs use about 75 percent less energy and last longer than traditional incandescent light bulbs.

For more information on the ComEd Smart Ideas Energy Efficiency Program, visit [ComEd.com/HomeSavings](http://ComEd.com/HomeSavings) for residential customers, and [ComEd.com/BizSavings](http://ComEd.com/BizSavings) for business customers.



November Adult Programming at Crestwood Public Library

**Savvy Social Security Planning: What Baby Boomers Need to Know**  
Social Security is more complicated than most people realize. The decisions baby boomers make now can have a tremendous impact on the total amount of benefits they stand to receive over their lifetime. Join us for a presentation from guest speaker Suellen Hawking of Hawking Financial to learn more. **Monday, Nov 9 at 6:00 PM**

**Gifts from Your Kitchen**  
Chef Rose Deneen will demonstrate a variety of food gifts for the holidays, including spiced nuts, homemade vanilla extract, cake balls and more! Explore new ideas for presenting your food gifts as well. Samples and recipes included. Cost is \$5 per person. Space limited to 25. **Wednesday, Nov 11 6:00 PM**

**Free eBook checkout for your eReader, iPad or Kindle.**  
We have TWO eBook databases for you to explore and choose from. And best of all they are free and there are no late fees! To learn more about eRead Illinois and Media on Demand, visit our website today! [www.crestwoodlibrary.org](http://www.crestwoodlibrary.org)

**Stampin' Up Thanksgiving Cards**  
Debbie Spano from Stampin' Up will be coming back to the library to help get us ready for the Thanksgiving holiday! Make your own personalized cards to send family and friends. Cost is \$4 per person. Space is limited. Please register. **Monday, Nov 16 6:00 PM**

**Free Computer Classes**  
Need some one-on-one practice with your computer skills? Sign up for a 45 minute session with one of our librarians on select Fridays during the month. Call for available dates and times.

**Book Discussion Club**  
Be sure to pick up a copy of our latest Book Club read from our front desk!! We'll be meeting again on **Wednesday, November 4, at 6:00 PM..**

**Remember to visit our website: [www.crestwoodlibrary.org](http://www.crestwoodlibrary.org) or call 708-371-4090 for all program details**

November Events at Crestwood Public Library Youth Programming

**November is Family Literacy Month**

**Read Around the House**  
Find new places to read in your house this month! Come to the library to register for this month long reading adventure. Read 20 minutes or more in every room in your house, including the bathroom, and win a fabulous bag of goodies! Open to all Crestwood Residents  
Read Around the House from Nov 2-25, 2015.

**Family Bingo**  
Kids bring your mom and/or dad to the library for an evening of Family Bingo!  
**Tuesday, November 17, 2015**  
from 6:00-7:00pm  
All children under six must have an adult present to play BINGO  
Registration Required

**Story Time and Tiny Tots**  
Registration for our new session of story time and tiny tots begins November 3, 2014  
Story Time for ages 3-6 will meet Thursday at 12:00pm .  
Tiny Tots for ages 12-36 months with adult, will meet Friday at 10:30am.  
Space is limited. Session dates will be Nov. 5 -Dec 18, 2015 No classes Nov. 26-27.

**Book Buddies**  
Children ages 3-6 can enjoy time with a Shepard High School Student reading books and making a small craft.  
Nov. Book Buddies will meet  
Wed. Nov. 18, 2015 from 6-7pm.  
Cost is free. Space limited to 20.

**Lego Club**  
A New Session of Lego Club will begin Monday, November 9, 2015 for children grades K-5. We will meet Mondays from 3:30-4:30. Registration required . Space limited to 18.

**Tween Time**  
Twins grades 3-6 join us this month to make a painted feather mobile  
Thurs., Nov. 10, 2015 Time: 4:00-5:00pm  
Please Register and bring a friend!

**Little Rembrandts**  
Children grades K-4 can come to the library to try different types of art techniques one afternoon a month. November's art will be Pointillism . Thur. Nov. 12 at 4:00pm  
Space limited to 15 people per class.

**After School Club**  
Kids grades K-2 join us after school in November to celebrate Game Day !  
Tues., Nov. 19, 2015 at 3:30pm

**Pajama Time- Turkey Time**  
Children ages 4-10, come to the library in their P.J.'s to hear stories about Turkeys and Thanksgiving . A small craft will be made to take. Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2015 6:00-7:00pm  
Space limited to 15

**Messy Mondays!**  
Toddlers and a caregiver can experience all those messy things you would not like them to play with at home. Mondays at 11:00  
Ages 15-36 months w adult

**Chess Club**  
A new session of Chess Club for Grades 1-10. begins Saturday, November 7 at 12:30pm.  
Registration Required

**SAVE THE DATE! BIG HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA!**  
Come join the fun as we get ready for the Holidays with Santa Claus and Smarty Pants. Smarty Pants and Miss Dena return to the library with their BIG HOLIDAY BALLOON SHOW with a special appearance by Santa & Mrs. Claus! **Wednesday, December 2, 2015 6:00pm All Ages.**

Registration Required for all programs. Call 708-371-4090 for more information.

Holiday Pet Supply Collection for Animal Welfare Animal Shelter



All cat and dog supplies, especially dry food, canned cat food, jars of baby meat puree, and cat litter are needed. Dog & cat toys, treats, collars and leashes are also needed. Bring all donations to the library from **November 23- December 19, 2015**

Stop in for a complete list of items needed

Passenger, Light Truck, and Semi Truck  
Tires, Intermodal, Custom Retreading,  
Repairs and Service

4201 Midlothian Turnpike  
Crestwood, IL 60445  
**Office: (708) 597-3078**

300 Gougar Road  
New Lenox, IL 60451  
**Office: (815) 727-3193**

Hamfesters' Jim Riley to Speak at November HRC Meeting

Hamfesters Radio Club Vice President Jim Riley, KB9CYL, introduces us to the fun and very interesting hobby of “geocaching” at the next HRC monthly meeting, which begins at 7:30pm, Friday, Nov. 6, at the Crestwood Community Center (14025 S. Kostner Ave., Crestwood, Ill.).

Serving the Chicagoland area for more than 80 years, Hamfesters Radio Club also conducts VE testing for those wishing to get their ham licenses — and for radio amateurs wishing to upgrade to higher classes of licenses. These take place on the second Saturday of each month at 9:00am, at Oak Forest Village Hall (15440 S. Central Ave.).

In Loving Memory

**Rosemarie Piper**, nee Mauck, 89 years, passed away at her home in Crestwood on October 5, 2015. Beloved wife of the late Edward. Devoted mother of Michael (Miki), Richard (Karen), Patti (the late Ken) Roe, Ginny (Jeff) Pheatt, John (Suzanne), Karen (Tim) Collins, and Scott (Janelle). Loving grandmother of 24, and great-grandmother of 28. Dear sister of Majorie Kowal, Virginia Durkin, and the late Richard and Jack Mauck. Proud Mercy High School Alumni Class of '44. Interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to Little Company of Mary Hospice would be appreciated.

Crestwood History: Did You Know?

- The Crestwood Women’s Club was started by a Mrs. Patrick Hayes and several other women, who met to sew, chat, and hold sales, with the proceeds benefiting the future construction of a new Village Hall.
- The Village Hall became available for private functions in October 1957. The rental fee at the time was \$5 for events prior to 6:00pm; \$10 for events after 6:00pm. Liquor initially was not allowed, but in May 1959, the Boosters were granted a liquor license.
- In April 1947, the Crestwood Boosters Club was founded by Al Pohopian, Nicholas Diedenhofen and Maurice Phares. The group held dances, fundraisers and an annual children’s day parade and picnic that became so big, it garnered press in the Chicago Tribune.
- At the Village Board meeting of Aug. 1, 1929, discussion of an anti-petting ordinance was discussed, with the intention of clearing the roads of parked cars during evening hours. In a potential victory for “parkers,” the ordinance was tabled.



# Thanksgiving Safety

The kitchen is the heart of the home, especially at Thanksgiving. Kids love to be involved in holiday preparations. Safety in the kitchen is important, especially on Thanksgiving Day when there is a lot of activity and people at home.



- » Stay in the kitchen when you are cooking on the stovetop so you can keep an eye on the food.
- » Stay in the home when cooking your turkey and check on it frequently.
- » Keep children away from the stove. The stove will be hot and kids should stay 3 feet away.
- » Make sure kids stay away from hot food and liquids. The steam or splash from vegetables, gravy or coffee could cause serious burns.
- » Keep the floor clear so you don't trip over kids, toys, pocketbooks or bags.
- » Keep knives out of the reach of children.
- » Be sure electric cords from an electric knife, coffee maker, plate warmer or mixer are not dangling off the counter within easy reach of a child.
- » Keep matches and utility lighters out of the reach of children — up high in a locked cabinet.
- » Never leave children alone in room with a lit candle.
- » Make sure your smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the test button.

## Did you know?



Thanksgiving is the leading day of the year for home fires involving cooking equipment.

**Have activities** that keep **kids out of the kitchen** during this busy time. Games, puzzles or books can keep them busy. Kids can get involved in Thanksgiving preparations with recipes that can be done **outside** the kitchen.

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## 3rd Annual Halloween Pet Parade Celebrates Crestwood’s Furry Friends

On Oct. 18th, under a sunny Sunday sky, the Village of Crestwood Recreation Commission hosted its 3rd Annual Halloween Pet Parade, and the beautiful weather was certainly in their favor. Members of the Rec Commission were joined by Mayor Louis Presta, his family and Village Trustees. Many of the Village pets came out with their families for a fun event. Once again, our fantastic police, fire and Emergency Management Services departments guided the parade and provided safety for all.

Taking home the honors were the following:

**1st Place: Pink Breast Cancer Awareness pup**

**2nd Place: Batman pup**

**3rd Place: Dumbo Elephant pup**

**Special Mention:** Hot Dog pup, whose mom and dad got married the previous night, but who made sure to come out for the Parade. Congratulations to the newlyweds!

Our thanks to Dawn Bruinius, a Crestwood resident and owner of Pooches N’ Purrs Pet Salon (17149 Harlem Ave., Tinley Park) for her donation of 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place prizes.



Pets and their owners were out in force for the 3rd Annual Halloween Pet Parade.

## Jobs Listing - Now Hiring



### Warehouse Supervisor – LiveWire Electrical and Construction Inc., Calumet Park

LiveWire Electrical and Construction, Inc. is looking for a Warehouse Supervisor to work in their fast-paced, growing organization. This position comes with the opportunity for cross-functional training and professional growth. This is a full-time, salaried position with benefits.

The warehouse supervisor is responsible for the efficient receipt, storage and dispatch of a wide range of electrical and construction material including, but not limited to construction tools and machinery, auto fleet, PPE and clothing. As a warehouse supervisor you will be required to manage people, processes and systems. This person ensures productivity targets are met and maintains administration as well as a storage and tracking system for the warehouse. This person will also make sure workplace health and safety requirements are met and will take responsibility for the security of the building, facility grounds and commodity stock and oversee daily operations in the warehouse.

#### Job Requirements:

- A minimum of 10 years experience as a Warehouse Supervisor
- Commercial and Industrial experience ...

**For more information or to apply, visit:**<http://cb.com/1XuC2d6>  
(Source: CareerBuilder.com)

### Senior Client Champion (Personal Banker) – FirstMerit, Palos Heights

In support of the banking convenience strategy, provides professional, superior sales and services to existing and potential clients. Creates a positive client relationship by effectively communicating a clear understanding of the benefits of the product and services offered. Responsibilities and service includes: answer telephone inquiries, process transactions, open and maintain accounts of all types, analyze applications, evaluate credit worthiness, and customize products to fit client need. Expands FirstMerit's client base. Make outbound teleconsulting calls. Follow bank and regulatory policies and procedures. Promote and maintain teamwork.

#### Job Requirements:

High school graduate or equivalent with two or more years banking/teller experience, or related sales experience. Ability to achieve sales growth production goals by thoughtfully marketing the appropriate financial products and services to individual clients based on their financial needs and circumstances. Strong communication and client-service skills, both verbal and written. Demonstrated aptitude and desire for sales achievement. Superior client relationship-building skills. Ability to function in a team environment. Strong interpersonal skills. Must be able to successfully register with the National Mortgage Licensing System (NMLS).

**For more information or to apply, visit:**

**<http://cb.com/1MPFVSb>** (Source: CareerBuilder.com)



# Fun & Entertainment

\*Sudoku and Crossword Answers appear in next issue

## FREE CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING FOR CRESTWOOD RESIDENTS!

### CRESTWOOD RESIDENTS

are invited to place free advertisements in the Crestwood Adviser. Free classified ads are offered to Village of Crestwood residents only and are limited to 20 words or less and can include information related to the following items:

Garage Sales  
Lost and Found  
Large Appliances  
Automobiles  
Motorcycles  
Boats and Trailers

### NON-RESIDENTS AND AREA BUSINESSES

can place classified advertisements for goods and services for just \$5.00 for twenty words under the following categories:

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Homes for Sale or Rent  
Apartments for Sale or Rent  
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Jobs Wanted

To place your classified ad  
**call 708-293-1430**

## NOVEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

### FOR SALE

Girls 20" Schwinn bicycle. Hand brakes. Very good condition. \$35. For more info call Pat at (708) 389-5977

### FOR SALE

Twin Bed - with bed frame, mattress, box spring \$25. Tv's - Emerson 25' inch and Sony 32' inch both \$60, and mable dresser \$40. For more info call Lorraine at (708) 813-4854.

### FOR SALE

Garage space heater — natural gas; \$50. Free birch fireplace logs. For more info call Al at (708) 597-1927.

### FOR SALE

Five-piece French Provincial walnut bedroom set. Must see. Best offer. Ask for Marie at (708) 388-3253.

### FOR SALE

Antique singer sewing machine converted into electric in table-like cabinet. \$250 or best offer. For more info call Marie at (708) 388-3253.

### For Sale

Toro S-620 snowblower, signal stage for \$50.00. For more info call Ivan at (708) 388-8845.

### FOR SALE

COMPUTER ACCESSORIES: 19" LG Flatron Wide-screen MONITOR. 1440 x 900, Cost \$278, asking \$100; Harmon Kardon SUB-WOOFER (11"cube) and 2 speakers (originally for a Dell computer), sounds great, \$25; HP Professional KEYBOARD with 16 extra buttons for instant one-touch access to email, search, sleep, volume, etc., \$20; box of misc. small computer accessories, microphone, wires, odd connectors, etc., \$12. Call 708-597-0593 or email baro@morainevalley.edu.

## SUDOKU

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3x3 box accommodates the digits 1 – 9, without repeating any.

7	2	6			1		5	
		4	2					
				9	4			
		3						2
	8	9	6		3	5	4	
4						3		
			9	3				
					8	4		
	5		7			1	2	9

## October Sudoku Solution

3	1	5	4	8	6	2	9	7
7	9	4	5	2	3	1	6	8
6	2	8	7	1	9	3	4	5
4	3	1	9	5	2	8	7	6
5	7	2	6	4	8	9	3	1
9	8	6	3	7	1	4	5	2
8	4	3	1	6	5	7	2	9
1	6	9	2	3	7	5	8	4
2	5	7	8	9	4	6	1	3

## October Crossword Solution

E	R	S	A	T	Z			P	A	V	L	O	V
N	O	T	G	O	O			H	E	R	O	I	N
A	S		A	M	M	O		A	N	T	I		A
B	E	A	R		B	L	A	N	C		D	U	S
L	A	B			A	M	U	S	E		S	S	E
E	T	U	D	E		E	G	O		U	N	D	I
	E	T	Y	M	O	N		M	A	N	I	A	S
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	G	E	N	T	L	E		L	E	T	T	E	R
L	E	G	G	S		N	B	A		S	H	Y	E
A	L	I			Q	T	I	P	S			E	N
P	A	S	T		U	R	T	S	Y		A	D	E
E	T		O	B	O	E		E	R	I	C		W
L	I	G	N	I	T	E		S	U	R	I	N	A
S	N	E	E	Z	E			P	E	D	D	L	E

### ACROSS

- Chicken product
- Remove
- Snake
- Defense
- Jeweled headdress
- Environmental protection agency (abbr)
- Hoses
- Cherub
- TV lawyer Matlock
- Visualize
- Cockeyed
- Water between cliffs
- Chest bones
- Foreleg paw
- Large body of water
- Impressionist painter
- Movie "King"
- Fatty
- Spider's net
- Bulb flower
- Brownish-orange color
- Pedestal part
- Loose gown worn at mass

- Measuring instrument
- Ponder
- Jinxed
- Insinuator
- Sordid
- Offers
- City
- As well as
- Bro.'s sibling
- Decompose
- Cut of beef
- Midriff
- Atmosphere
- Furious
- Make dirty
- School group
- Unclothed
- Gaiety

### DOWN

- Grub
- Paste
- Scoff

- South by east
- Sky lights
- Teen
- Newspaper
- Anger
- Woman's saddle hors
- Music type
- Musical production
- Root beer brand (3 w
- Old Testament proph
- West by north
- Fast plane
- Representatives
- Disposed
- Simply
- Opera solo
- Royalty
- Slick
- Cut the lawn
- Remain
- Lip
- Danish physicist
- Cab
- Ripe

- Cozy rooms
- Jell-O
- Black spiders
- Owns
- Hellos
- Belt
- Thrown ring in a game
- Fanatical
- Leech
- Wager
- Window ledge
- Island
- Eye infection
- Undergarment
- Furniture wood
- Fall mo.

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# SPORTS



Congratulations to the Shepard sophomore football team, who won the SSC Red Division championship with their defeat of Bremen.

## 2015 SSC Red Sophomore Conference Champs!

Congratulations to Shepard coaches and the sophomore football team for all their hard work! The SSC Red Division championship became theirs in a decisive 27-14 win over Bremen on Oct. 23. These young gladiators started the season with a 0 and 3 start, but with their strong determination and their big hearts, they turned their season around. They rattled off six wins in a row to prove to their school and their families that they are special athletes. It would

be easy just to keep playing the way they were, and to just coast the rest of the season, but there was no satisfying these young men as they outplayed each opponent time and time again. The coaches are looking for bigger and better things from these student athletes next year on varsity because of these young men’s accomplishments this year!

### Crestwood Fast-Pitch Association to Celebrate 15-Year Anniversary in 2016

The Crestwood Fast-Pitch Association will turn 15 years next year, and to celebrate these many years of high-energy softball, the Village of Crestwood will reimburse the Recreation Leagues for any Crestwood resident playing in a recreation sport.

The 2016 registration will be held Nov. 1-Dec. 30, 2015, at the Crestwood Recreation and Wellness Center. Registration forms will be available at the front desk. You may register at your convenience during their hours.

To register and ensure reimbursement, Crestwood residents are asked please bring proof of residency to registration. Should you have additional questions, please send an email to [bmadr@aol.com](mailto:bmadr@aol.com).



Crestwood residents looking to sign up for fast-pitch softball or any other recreational sport can look forward to free participation thanks to an initiative spurred by Mayor Lou Presta.

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SPORTS



Dan Grunauer, affectionately known as "Coach G"

Shepard Girls Spike It to Providence

The Shepard Girls' Varsity Volleyball team has finally done it. In a stunning and exhilarating display of tenacity and flawless play, Shepard's Varsity gals finally beat Providence — a feat never before achieved by any previous team in Shepard's existence. After losing to the Providence girls at the Oak Lawn Invite earlier this season, the

Shepard girls were determined to make the most of their last opportunity to defeat their formidable opponents.

Extra incentive for the long-awaited win was supplied by Coach Czaja and his spectacularly hideous green pants from his time coaching at Providence. Every season, he has told the team that if they were to beat Providence, the pants would be destroyed and never worn again. The girls, including the starting lineup of Jenny Kempczynski, Kendall Yerkes, Amanda Carberry, Caroline Graham, Abbey Graham, Sarah Kiwan, Maggie Janik and Abby Newsome, all knew that it would be their last opportunity to defeat Providence as they competed in the Rich East Invite Oct. 24th-25th. Providence, one of the favorites to win the 3A State Championship this year, wasn't going to go

quietly, and the match that resulted Shepard's victory will be one for the ages, and a memory the girls likely will carry with them the rest of their lives.

Currently, the conference record stands at 13-0, with the overall record at 25-5. The team has a very strong chance to become Shepard's most successful class ever. Shepard's teams between 1989-1992 combined for 98 wins. As of press time, the team currently had 96 wins, and still had a guaranteed six games left.

Several of the team's leaders are being recruited for play at the college level. Yerkes has committed to Grand Valley State. Carberry, Newsome, and Caroline Graham and Abbey Graham have all received interest from schools, but had not made final decisions at press time.



Shepard Historic Girls Varsity Volleyball Team



Crestwood Baseball Association Information—2016 Season

<b>Ages:</b>	<b>Divisions:</b>	<b>Cost:</b> FREE for Crestwood Residents \$100.00 for Non-Residents
7-8 years	Pinto (Coach Pitch)	
9-10 years	Mustang	Additional Non-resident child discount - \$15.00 off per child even if in different divisions.
11-12 years	Bronco	<b>Season:</b> Season runs mid - April until mid-July.
13-14 years	Pony	The Colt season starts later (end of May to accommodate kids playing high school baseball.
15-16 years	Colt	

**Season:** Season runs mid-April until mid-July. The Colt season starts later (end of May) to accommodate kids playing high school baseball.

For more information about the 2016 season, contact Joe, the Director of Baseball Operations at the Crestwood Rec & Wellness Center located at 5331 W. 135th Street, Crestwood, IL 60445. Visit [www.crestwoodbaseball.com](http://www.crestwoodbaseball.com) or call (708) 371-4800, ext. 2014 to register TODAY!

Marist High School to Offer Grade School Coaches' Clinic

This free event from 6:30-9:00pm at Marist High School (4200 W 115th St, Chicago) will cover offensive skill development, special team plays and more. The evening will conclude with questions and answers, pizza, pop, and conversation with the coaches.

For more information, contact Coach Nolan '92 and follow the program on Twitter for updates and news, or contact Mr. Gene Nolan at (773) 881-5306.

Incarnation Students Shine at Providence Academic Bowl

Incarnation School, located in Crestwood, IL announced that 10 of its 7th- and 8th-grade students represented their academic talents at the Providence Academic Bowl on Saturday, Oct. 10th. Among the field of participants, several Incarnation students earned awards in their respective fields for their outstanding performances, including: Olivia Sears (Geography), Ian Bartle (Geography), Brendan Breslin (Social Science), and Pete Stock (Language Arts). Congratulations, and go Chargers!



Incarnation brought its A-game to the Providence Academic Bowl Oct. 10th, coming away with several awards.



REGISTRATION FEES FOR 2016 SEASON

\*\*\*\*\*CRESTWOOD RESIDENTS REGISTER FOR FREE!!!!\*\*\*\*\*

	<b>"Early Bird" Wed. Nov 11th</b>	Wed. Feb 17th	Wed. April 20th	Wed. June 22nd
1st child	\$100.00	\$115.00	\$125.00	\$135.00
2nd child	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$100.00
3rd child	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$80.00	\$90.00
4th child	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$80.00

WHERE: Crestwood Rec Center 5331 W. 135th Street 6-8 pm

Initial Fundraising Obligation -- 100% recoupable for participants			
1st child	PARTICIPATION	\$100.00 or \$80.00 (BUY OUT)	
2nd Child	PARTICIPATION	\$50.00 or \$40.00 (BUY OUT)	
(additional fundraising will be required throughout season)			
+ \$75.00 Participation Obligation -- 100% Refunded after hours fulfilled and ALL equipment returned			

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